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Bristling business. No wonder we're busy. Panic times have passed and we are yet selling at "panic" prices. But it is only to clean up the winter stock. The present ridiculously low prices will soon be a memory. Here is what is drawing the crowds. Wise men are buying two and three suits.

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Sports and Sporting

Eddy Bald's challenge to race either Tom Linton or Warburton, of Plummer's English team, like so many debts in which a championship is involved, seems destined to die an early death. Bald wants the same pacemakers to act for both racers, but Plummer objects.

Charles Proctor, of this city, was yesterday signed by Manager C. W. Boyer, of the Charleston, S. C. team, of the South-eastern League. Proctor has an excellent record as a ball tosser, having captured the deerskin. He has been in the league, and gained the highest batting average in the Western League.

The broadsword contest and other events scheduled to take place at St. Asaph last Saturday, and which were postponed because of injuries to the contestants in practice, will probably take place next Saturday. Lieut. Barber has challenged Corporal High for a contest with broadsword, foil, or single sticks, the match to take place at one of the halls in the city. The challenge will undoubtedly be accepted.

Pat Ruddy says he is getting in first-rate shape for his bout with Hite Peckham, February 4. He is not going through the rigorous training that he did for his fight with Moore, for on that occasion he was down to a trifling toe edge, skipping the rope, punching the bag, and sparring a dozen rounds or so from the daily routine of work. The Murphy-Lewis bout is the only preliminary so far arranged.

The principal change in the proposed new rules of the National Jockey Club is the one which simplifies the manner in which jockeys shall be paid their fees by owners. It is much simpler and surer, and naturally meets the unqualified approval of the riders.

Among the thoroughbreds that Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt has in training near Paris is a curiosity in the shape of a nineteen-year-old mare. She once won the Kentucky Oaks at Paris, and was purchased by Mr. Vanderbilt from M. Canille Blanc last year.

Horton boxing clubs are not so numerous in Gotham as they were a month ago. The bottom seems to have dropped out of the pugilistic boom, and men who posed as managers are hunting other jobs. Skating rinks, ice houses, etc., which were fitted up as clubhouses and arenas are tenacious, and a general decline in the feverish spirit taken in the manly art seems imminent.

A story from St. Louis credits Billy Joyce with matrimonial intentions. Caylor, writing in a New York daily, says complimentary things of Billy as a benedict, to the effect that the lady in the case displayed remarkable prudence in her selection of a manager through life.

With the dates for the Washington Jockey Club's spring meeting allotted from April 10 to 27, and Aqueduct opening April 28, there are two weeks between the opening of the season and the first race. A meeting will be given at Pimlico, at any rate until fall. An attempt to give a meeting would have to occur before April 10, which makes the chance for good weather very slim. It looks, therefore, as though there would be no more "legitimate" racing in the East until the coming opening.

FOUGHT TO A DRAW.

Pierce and Juth Contested for Twenty Rounds Last Night.
There were two bouts between pugilists last night on the Madison road. Arthur Jones and a lad named Wilcox from the southeast furnished the preliminary struggle, and after six rounds Jones was given the decision.

Then came Leslie Pierce and Earl Juth for a twenty-round bout. At the expiration of that number, Mr. Carter, the referee, said it was a draw. The decision did not meet with the approval of a large majority of a very good crowd, but the decision stood.

Pierce had the longest reach, but Juth was the aggressor. He ducked cleverly, and his upper cuts landed every time, drawing blood in the tenth round.

League Bowling Games.

The bowling games in the reserve team league, scheduled for the 13th, instead for W. A. C. and C. I. teams, on the day of the former, and postponed at the time indefinitely, will be played tonight on the W. A. C. alleys.

The games for the reserve teams scheduled to be played tomorrow evening on the C. I. alleys will be bowled on Thursday evening instead. The contesting teams will be Carroll Institute and Washington Baugherbund.

A Large Room.

The largest room in the world is in the Imperial palace at St. Petersburg. It is 160 feet long and 150 wide.—Exchange.

Odd Items From Everywhere.

The city of New Orleans imports six inches lower than it was forty years ago.

Bristol now stands next to London as a place of import for Canadian cheese.

Haverhill, Mass., shipped 367,000 cases of shoes in 1896, the highest number on record.

Statistics show that there are fifty sardine factories in Maine, with 5,780 employees.

A Brington, Me., man has shipped over 5,000 barrels of apples to England this season.

There is now bottled in Germany in syphons in the same manner as aerated waters.

British bakers sold more Christmas puddings last holiday season than ever before.

Galveston hotels served fresh strawberries and cream to their guests on Christmas day.

There are more American vessels on the great lakes than on the ocean, and their combined tonnage is greater.

A REPORT TO THE SENATE

The Annexation of Alexandria
Discussed by Mr. Harmon.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION

The Power Necessary to Secure the Restoration to the District of the Retroceded Virginia Territory Is Contained in the Constitution of the United States.

Attorney General Harmon has made a formal report to the Senate in reply to the resolution of that body relative to the suggested retrocession of Alexandria county and city, Va.

He says that the old Virginia portion of the District embraces thirty-six square miles, of which twenty-nine is land and seven water. In this territory the government owns the Arlington estate and a few small parcels of land, in all less than two square miles, or about one-eighth of the old Virginia part of the District.

He states that the only legislation ever had on the subject was an act of the Virginia legislature of February 3, 1846, and an act of Congress, July 9, 1846.

The Attorney General finds that the constitutionality of the acts of retrocession has never been judicially determined. In the case of Phillips vs. Payne, in the Supreme Court of the United States in 1875, an effort was made by the plaintiff to raise the question of constitutionality, but the court declined to pass upon it, holding that the plaintiff was estopped from raising the point.

He thinks that the legislation necessary to secure restoration to the government of a whole or a part of the retroceded territory is contained in Article 8, paragraph 17, of the Constitution of the United States requiring the cession of the territory by Virginia, and its acceptance by Congress.

He disclaims any intention of expressing any opinion, either favorable or adverse, on the validity of the act of retrocession.

COOL AT NEW ORLEANS.

Only Two Favorites Come in First.
Track Heavy.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 18.—Cool weather necessitated wraps and top-coats today here. Rain had made the track a bit slow, but not to any extent. The afternoon race was a long one, and only two favorites winning, the book-makers had the best of the day.

First race—Selling. One mile. Manie G. 95, Hursey, 3 to 1, won driving, by a neck. Peter Knott, 142 Ruff, 6 to 5, second, by two lengths; Knott, 105, Van Dusen, 5 to 2, third, 1:43.4.

Second race—Selling. Seven furlongs. Shanon, 112, Scherer, 4 to 5, won by a neck. Jack Hayes, 99, Burns, 5 to 2, second, by a neck; Barney Adler, 104, Beauchamp, 25 to 1, third, 1:30 1/2.

Third race—Selling. Five furlongs. Van Brunt, 106, Scherer, even, second, by a length; Krana, 85, Burns, 8 to 1, third, 1:23.4. Egan, Ramona, Linette and Anna Mayes also ran.

Fourth race—Handicap. Six furlongs. Irish Lady, 102, Dorsey, 5 to 1, won, easily, by a neck; R. E. Stan, 92, Campbell, 6 to 1, second, by a neck; Wagon, 84, A. Barrett, 2 to 1, third, 1:24.4. Viscunt, Loney, Robert Latta and E. Carson also ran.

Fifth race—Selling. Seven furlongs. Alto June, 92, Souger, 8 to 1, won driving by a nose; Windsor, 104, Armstrong, 60 to 1, second, by a neck; Black, 94, Clay, 7 to 1, third, 1:30 1/2.

Sixth race—Selling. Six furlongs. High Test, 100, Moore, 4 to 5, won by two lengths; May, 100, Hogan, 4 to 1, second, by a neck; F. M. B. 105, Scherer, 10 to 1, third, 1:16.3.4. Etare, Bonard, Giffordham, and Lay on also ran.

THE NEW CATHOLIC CLUB.
An Enjoyable House-Warming of Its New Home.

The members of the newly-organized Catholic Club of Washington, D. C., took formal possession of their new home and clubhouse, located at No. 509 First street northwest, last night. The affair was a brilliant success in every way.

The opening or house-warming took the form of a musical program, which was thoroughly enjoyed and pleasingly received.

President F. A. W. Van Rensselaer, in a few well-chosen words, delivered the address of welcome.

At the conclusion of the program the guests adjourned to the dining-room, where a general conversation was maintained.

It was announced during the evening that a ladies' night will be given next week, with dancing, and that once each month the club house will be given up to the fair friends of the club. On February 11 a musicale will be given for the club.

The officers of the club are: F. A. W. Van Rensselaer, president; M. A. Keane, vice president; W. F. Sullivan, financial secretary; J. F. Hill, recording secretary; P. A. O'Brien, treasurer; T. J. Guiney, sergeant-at-arms, and D. Thomas, librarian.

The club meets on the first Sunday of each month to transact club business. Non-Catholics are welcomed as members.

ALL DEFENDS UPON PATST.

Presidents Robinson and Brush
Dickering on a Few Deals.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 18.—"All depends upon Pat Tebeau. He is the key to the situation," said President C. H. Byrne of the Brooklyn Baseball Club today. "For four weeks President Robinson of the Cleveland team and President Brush of the Cincinnati club have been dickering over the best thing to be done the coming season."

He continued: "Matters assumed such shape that a conference was thought necessary. We came to Cleveland simply to talk matters over. I will say that nothing definite was accomplished. The question at issue involves a triangular deal. Whether it will ever amount to anything more than wild depends on what Tebeau says. Mr. Robinson gave us to understand that he will not make a move until he sees and consults with Pat."

Chain and Sprocket Met.

The Chain and Sprocket Cycle Club held a special meeting last evening for the purpose of considering recent actions of the cycle board of trade, which seem to have created considerable opposition among the members of the club. Definite action was suspended, pending the report of a committee appointed to investigate matters pertaining thereto. Mr. Eugene Crist, of the cycle board, and also a member of the club, represented the board at the meeting.

Running It Down.

Police Captain—You say you saw the burglar run out of your front door with your silver? Did you follow him?

Looted Citizen—Yes, as far as the corner.

Police Captain—What kind of silver was it?

Looted Citizen—Chased.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Time Will Come

When Derelicts Must Pay the
Penalty for Neglecting
a Plain Duty.

Every year thousands die from carelessness. Thousands more die from ignorance. Men and women presume upon good constitutions, flatter themselves that they have nothing to fear. They do not comprehend the importance of apparently trivial symptoms, which are warnings of failing health. Many incur ailments from nervous debility, impaired memory, low spirits, and the various derangements of mind and body due to nervous habits contracted in youth, or to later excesses, resulting in wrecked constitutions and not infrequently in softening of the brain, epilepsy, paralysis, and even insanity. To reach and reclaim such derelicts is one of Dr. Young's aims, and he has been the means of restoring hundreds of them to health, method and vigor.

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Theater Folk

George Backus is compelled to smoke a box of cigars a week by the terms of his contract in "Tom Mac Johnson."

Miss Margaret Mather offers \$5,000 for a portrait painting, suited to her personality and abilities. To be written by an American citizen, on an American subject, and admitted on or before June 1 next. Decision will be rendered on September 15 next.

Herbert Beethoven Tree has printed a brochure entitled "Hudson River Prompts Book," containing succinctly his views regarding various disputed passages in the tragedy and his own treatment of certain scenes.

"All actors are poets," observes R. A. Barnett, "but only the best of them draw well." Thomas W. Keene has played "Richard III." 2,306 times. This number, which every night, including Sunday, of over six years of Mr. Keene's life has been devoted to this role.

Charles B. Hanford, the manager and leading light of the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis, on New Year's eve after a performance of "Richard III." by Thomas W. Keene and his company, the curtain was raised to disclose a scene of riotous revelry, and the boys-cantered throng, surrounded by her fellow-players, it was the sixtieth anniversary of Mrs. Baker's first appearance on the stage.

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"All last week the intensely cold weather brought in its train many tales of suffering, of want, and of death," says Charles A. From Paris, "but the subject of the day combined devotion to one's profession comes from England, where I hear that a soldier girl in a hospital place such a fever and epidemic disease, that she died, and a scene depicting the Arctic region, she froze to death on a painted iceberg, while the paper on which the scene was flattered down and covered her."

The Carroll-Kerker Opera Company, headed by Canille D'Arville and Richard F. Carroll, opened its season at Wallace's Theater, January 18, with a new opera, "Kismet," the joint work of Gustave Kerker and Richard F. Carroll. After the new York engagement the company plays in Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore, Washington and Chicago.

Messrs. Lee and Block, the managers of the company, have in preparation some exceedingly handsome scenery. The company will include William Hatch, William Steiger, Henry Leoni, Gerald George, Belle Becklin, Ross Leitch, Nellie Parker, and others.

Talking of Sunday papers, I heard the other day of a manager who advertised for a young woman acrobat to do a dangerous feat, namely, to walk on a tightrope over a high building.

One of the applicants was a pale-faced, shabbily dressed little woman who said she had no experience, but was sure she could do it. "Why, my dear," said the amazed manager, "I want a woman who can climb a rope to the very roof of the dome where she is to perform on the bar and then dive into a net stretched over the heads of the audience. Unless you are a trained acrobat, I cannot give you the job. Why, I have thought of such an attempt. 'Why, I have to do much worse than that, sir,' she answered. 'I have been writing stories for the Sunday papers.'—Mirror.

Would Have Frightened a Lady.
Mexico (Mo.) Intelligencer. Col. Clay had an experience with a monster rat last week which he will not soon forget. After returning from the Mexican Yucatan, Tuesday night, Col. Clay drove to his barn and put up his horse. After stabling the animal he took a scoop and went to the bin to get some corn. As he stooped to get the corn, he felt some object strike him heavily in the breast and ran around under his coat to his hand. Col. Clay was vigorously to work to dislodge his unwelcome guest. His efforts, however, only made matters worse. In shaking his coat the rat ran down Col. Clay's back, and forced its way into his trousers. The situation was getting exceedingly interesting. As yet the rat had made no effort to bite, but Col. Clay was in mental dread of an attack at any moment. He threw off his coat, hastily unbuttoned his trousers and undertook to shake the thing out at the bottom of the leg. The rat, however, was determined to hold possession, and after going down to the foot, turned and came back up the leg. In sheer desperation Col. Clay kicked off his trousers. In this way he managed to get away from the rat, but the latter continued to hold possession of the trousers. The rat finally emerged from the trousers leg, and Col. Clay killed it with a carbomb.

Prepared.
"What is this \$25 that you have set aside to incidentals in your Christmas expenses, John?"

"That? Oh, that, my dear, is for the doctor's bill after the children have enjoyed Christmas to the full."—Philadelphia North American.

No Heads or Tails.
No human head was impressed on coins until after the death of Alexander the Great. All images before that time were of deities.—Chicago Chronicle.

Did His Whole Duty.
A Proud Achievement.—"Well," said the new legislator, "I performed my first duty for my constituents today. 'What?'"

"I voted in favor of adjournment."—Philadelphia North American.

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Meagher at the Ice Palace.
George A. Meagher has fairly won the numerous medals he wears as trophies of his prowess on the skis. His appearance at the Ice Palace last evening established his popularity in Washington beyond question.

Every movement of the skater during his wonderful exhibition was watched with the utmost interest, and as some especially brilliant evolution would be executed, a ripple of applause would be heard, and then instantaneous silence, as the wonderful performer's body glided quickly into another figure. Even a novice could appreciate the matchless grace and skill displayed. Waiting on the points of the skates, dashing through rows of lighted lamps at full speed and jumping over chairs, were features which worked the big audience up to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Every movement was performed in perfect time with the dramatic music.

The thousands of vari-colored lights up in the dome were turned low, and as in the shadowy half-light, the graceful skater glided noiselessly over the smooth surface, one could well realize the meaning of "poetry of motion." The grapevine twist, anvil cross, and other figures, known only to an expert, followed each other in rapid succession, and the audience was on the qui vive from the moment the skater appeared in his handsome costume until his farewell bow.

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EACH TEAM WON A GAME.

Saengerbund and Carrolls Play Brilliantly and Divide the Honors.

The Carroll Institute bowling team had as its visitors last night the Washington Saengerbund team for a set of tenpin bowling games in the major league series and the teams were so well matched that each won a game.

The Carrolls led off and by good team work landed the first game by 88 pins. The Saengerbund gained their second wind on the change of alleys and the second game was theirs by 98 pins.

Robert of the C. I. led the evening with 186 as the highest single score and also led with the best average, having 170 1/2. By his work last evening Rube leads the league for the best average and has earned the place by good, steady bowling. He also leads the league with 221 as the highest single game.

For the Saengerbund, Spies and Lane were tied with 172 as highest single game. The Saengerbund have won two sets from the Carrolls on the alleys of the former, but neither team has been able to carry off a full set on the C. I. alleys.

The game abounded in many brilliant plays and several very difficult shots were gathered in by both sides. Rube of W. S. B. had one of 134-8; and for the Carrolls Stone made one of 75; B. Locraft, 1-2-3-5-7, and Armstrong, 1-3-5-7-9.

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